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| **RESEARCH AND TEACHING**  **INTERESTS** | Research: Time-varying correlation models for portfolio optimization, the economic viability of Islamic finance and behavioral finance, systemic risk measurement and network analysis.  Teaching: Business intelligence using excel, financial econometrics, financial management, financial markets, behavioural finance, Islamic finance |
| **EDUCATION** | ***De Montfort University, UK (2017-2018)***  Learning and Teaching in Higher Education (PGCERT)  ***De Montfort University, UK (2013- 2017)***  PhD in Finance  ***Arab Academy for Science & Technology, Alexandria, Egypt***  M.Sc. Investment Management Grade: Excellent, GPA 3.96, (2008-2011)  B.Sc. Business administration, Major: Finance and Accounting; “English Section”, Grade: Excellent with honour, GPA 3.96, (2004 – 2008) |
| **ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE** | ***De Montfort University, UK***  Full-Time Lecturer in accounting and finance, Accounting and finance department, November 2016 – Present.  I am the module leader for business intelligence using Excel and I teach financial econometrics and research skills.  Main responsibilities:   * Designated officer for ethical approvals * Personal tutoring * PG research supervision * Design excel sessions for employability week * Curriculum design * Produce research papers for publications * Use Blackboard shells and DMU replay to deliver academic materials and communicate with students   ***De Montfort University, UK***  Part-Time Lecturer in finance, HRM Department, November 2014 –October 2016,  I teach the lectures related to finance and statistics in Module “Developing skills for business leadership”, for MA/PGDip programme,  Main responsibilities:   * To provide teaching in Accounting and Finance related subjects, * To contribute to research and scholarly activity in the department, * To contribute to curriculum development, * To contribute to the development of high quality teaching materials, utilise computer aided learning and a virtual learning environment “Blackboard” as part of a managed learning setting.   ***Arab Academy for Science and Technology, Management School, Egypt***  Assistant Lecturer - Accounting and Finance Department, September 2008 - September 2013  This role involved teaching and administrative tasks in the finance and accounting department.  Main responsibilities:   * Developing and teaching the curriculum of the following modules: Financial Accounting, Management Accounting, Investment, Financial Markets, * Preparing and mark exams, * Personal tutoring for 45 students, * Exam Invigilation, * Preparing ISO reports periodically, * Developing and Recording online courses for virtual learning environment “Moodle”. |
| **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE** | ***De Montfort University, UK***,  Data Assistant - Business Development Department, March-April 2016,  This role involved building lenders database for the banking sector in the UK over 20 years. The database will help in producing a report for mid/end year data to be sold to bank of England, Investment banks, solicitors and others.  ***De Montfort University, UK***  Business Research- Frontrunner Placement, -Strategic Management and Marketing Department, January 2015 – October 2015,  The primary focus of this frontrunner internship was:   * Working with academic colleagues and individually in establishing the league table of all UK institutions which have accreditations from EQUIS, AMBA, and AACSB, as well as Additional Accreditations of CIM, CIMA, ACCA, CIPD, and others, * Undertake research of such institutions and build a database, * Liaising with academics and staff in across the programme provision to identify opportunities for developing accreditation links with their programmes, * Undertaking research projects under guidance from academic staff members, * Supporting in the preparation of reports relating to application for accreditation.   ***De Montfort University, UK***  Exam Invigilator, Student and Academic Services, January 2015- Present  I undertake routine exam invigilation, and assist Senior/Principal invigilators in ensuring they are carried out in accordance with university procedures and regulations.  ***Piraeus Bank, Alexandria Branch, Egypt***  Intern in Operation Department July 2007 - August 2007  Piraeus Bank is today the leading Bank in Greece with 29% market share in terms of loans and deposits. It has more than 444 branches focused in South-eastern Europe and Eastern Mediterranean. I gained experience in:   * Managing and handling letter of credit and letter of guarantee entries in collaboration with credit department, * Managing client’s notifications and ensure their receipt, in collaboration with communication department, * Preparing checks entries and perform checks audit, * Bank transfers preparation and audit in collaboration with central audit in Cairo, * My positive performance appraisal promoted me to train new interns and extend my internship to two months. |
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| **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS** | [1] Samar Gad, Panagiotis Andrikopoulos, Yueting Cui and Vasileios Kallinterakis (August, 2017) Feedback Trading and the Ramadan Effect. The NFF2017 conference, Nord University Business School – Bodø, Norway.  [2] Samar Gad (April, 2017) Evaluation of Islamic Banks’ Systemic Risk Contributions in Financial Networks. *British Institute of Finance and Accounting BAFA Annual Conference in Heriot-Watt University, UK.*  **[**3] Samar Gad and Panagiotis Andrikopoulos (September, 2016) Diversification Benefits of Islamic ETFs in Emerging Markets. *Portsmouth- Fordham conference on Banking and Finance*. Portsmouth Business School, UK  [4] Samar Gad and Panagiotis Andrikopoulos (April, 2015) Islamic Assets and Diversification Effects in Emerging Markets. *International Conference on Islamic Perspective of Accounting, Finance, Economics and Management*, Adam Smith Business School, Glasgow University, UK  [5] Samar Gad and Ahmed Ramadan (March, 2015) News Impact on the Egyptian Stock Market Behaviour under Political and Economic Change, (1998-2014) *British Institute of Finance and Accounting BAFA Annual Conference* in University of Manchester, UK.  [6] Samar Gad (September, 2012) Behavioural Finance in Egypt: Analytical Study of News Impact on Conditional Volatility of EGX 30 (1998-2012) - Before and After January 25th Revolution. *Academy of Business Research (ABR),* Fall 2012 Conference held in Atlantic City-NJ, USA |
| **INVITED SPEAKER** | * “The relationship between religion and finance”, Guest speaker at University of Liverpool, UK, 27/04/2017 * “Me in Frames” lecture as part of SHE event, for women empowerment and, Centre of Creativity, Alexandria, Egypt –22/5/2013 * “Accounting for Non-Accountants” Session, as part of ASBAB initiative for young entrepreneurs, Centre of Creativity, Alexandria Egypt – 09/05/2012 * “Discover your unknown capabilities” session, in Tell Your Story Event, Association of Management Advisors (AMA), Hilton Hotel, Alexandria Egypt - 21/12/2012 * “Financial analysis and decision making”, as part of Basics of finance training course, FMA student chapter, Arab Academy for Science and Technology, Alexandria Egypt – 03/12/2012 * “Behavioural Games and Financial Markets Crashes” session, Arab Academy for Science and Technology, Alexandria, Egypt - 11/12/2011 |
| **TRAINING COURSES AND CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION** | * 2017 CSCSE-SQA HND Programme Professional Training for 38 teachers from different universities in China, Xi’an, China, 12-14 July 2017 (Trainer) * Excel sessions in Employability Week, Accounting and Finance department, Leicester Business School, DMU, UK, November and February 2017 (Trainer) * Entrepreneurship Week, in collaboration with USAID, FMA student society, Arab Academy for Science and Technology, Alexandria Egypt, 1 -7 September 2013 (Organizer) * Investment Training course in collaboration with [EFG-Hermes Holding: Financial services](http://www.oxfordbusinessgroup.com/analysis/efg-hermes-holding-financial-services), Cairo, Egypt, 14.04.2012 (Course planner and Organizer) * Essentials of Fund Management Training Course, Arab Academy for Science and Technology, Alexandria Egypt August – October 2012 * Basics of Finance Training Course, FMA Student chapter, Arab Academy for Science and Technology, Alexandria Egypt, November – December 2012 (Course planner and organizer) |
| **RESEARCH RELATED ACTIVITIES** | * Programme Committee Member: I reviewed four papers for World Finance Conference held in July 2016, St Jones University, New York , United States. * I participated in the asset pricing workshops, in Said Business School, Oxford university (March 2016). * I participated in Adam Smith workshops for Asset Pricing and Corporate Finance, in London School of Economics (LSE) (March 2015). |
| **PAPERS**  **IN PREPARATION** | [1] Samar Gad and Panagiotis Andrikopoulos (2016) Dynamic Conditional Correlations Models and Diversification Benefits of Islamic ETFs in Emerging Markets. |
| **AWARDS AND**  **GRANTS** | * Leadership Award – Square Mile, De Montfort University, May 2015. * Conference and Travel Award - De Montfort University, December 2014. * Vice-Chancellor’s International Scholarship -De Montfort University, 2013-2017. * Best Paper Award - Academy of Business Research,USA, September 2012. |
| **TRAINING** | ***De Montfort University (Frontrunner Placement training) 2015***  Advanced Excel 2013  Excel Expert level  Word Processing Advanced  Introduction to Project Management  ***Arab Academy for Science and Technology, Egypt (Mar-May 2013)***  Professional Certified Trainer, TOT Course. Grade A |
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| **VOLUNTEER WORK** | ***Square Mile, – De Montfort University, Leicester, UK***  Trainer for Primary School Mentors, May-July 2015  I trained students to be ready to volunteer as mentors in primary schools in Leicester, and attain professional experience in Education.  ***Square Mile*– *De Montfort* University, Leicester, UK**  Primary School Mentor November 2014- July 2015  I worked as a mentor for key stage (2) pupils in Mowmacre Hill Primary School in Leicester, UK. I received leadership award due to my commitment to meeting school’s needs. My responsibilities:   * Assist teachers during school time, * Teach mathematics, * Help pupils' enhance their writing, * Assess pupils' reading, * Build and enhance pupils' interpersonal skills through team working and games.   ***Arab Academy for Science & Technology, Management School***  Faculty adviser for Financial Management Association (FMA,USA) student society, November 2011 – November 2014,  This role is to help students get practical experience in finance; through planned training courses and workshops. It involved:   * Handling class booking with formal letters, * Preparing Invitation letters to speakers and business institutions, * Sending reports and training course proposals for local business executives, * Preparing and sending annual newsletter to different stakeholders, * Monitoring chapter finances, Initial contacts between the chapter and local business executives, * Maintaining the relationship between the chapter and college/university administration. |
| **SOFTWARE SKILLS** | *Advanced Level (libraries or stand-alone applications)*  *R, MSOffice 2016, Eviews 9, Gretl*  *Basic Level*  Matlab, SPSS 21 |
| **LANGUAGES** | Arabic – Native  English –Proficient  French – Basic |
| **TEACHING** | Undergraduate Level:  Financial econometrics, Business Intelligence using Excel, Financial markets and investment, financial accounting, management accounting, operations management.  Post-graduate Level:  Entrepreneurial finance, financial management, management accounting, financial markets and investment, statistics |
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